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FOR MR. EAGLEBURGER FROM AMBASSADOR CATTO

EO 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, SA  
SUBJ: CONVERSATION WITH SAUDI AMBASSADOR ALIREZA

AT A RECENT DINNER PARTY IN SWITZERLAND THE HOST, SAUDI AMBASSADOR ALIREZA, EVICTED MY WIFE'S DINNER PARTNER AND PROCEEDED TO SPEAK TO HER IN A TONE SO IMPORTUNATE THAT SHE FELT HE WAS TRYING TO PASS ALONG A MESSAGE (AND WAS USING EVERY POSSIBLE AVENUE; AS YOUKNOW, MY WIFE'S FAMILY IS IN THE PUBLISHING BUSINESS). THE THRUST OF HIS COMMENTS WAS THAT THE SAUDIS WANT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE TO CONVENE SOON; THAT THEY WILL PUT ANY AND ALL NECESSARY PRESSURE ON THE PLO; THAT ARAFAT IS THE ONLY ACCEPTABLE PLO REPRESENTATIVE; THAT SAUDI ARABIA IS EXTREMELY ANXIOUS FOR CLOSER TIES WITH THE U.S.; THAT AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED IN THE MIDDLE EAST WITH AN INITIATIVE ON THE PART OF THE NEW ADMINISTRATION WHICH WOULD INCLUDE PRESSURE ON ISRAEL. THE AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED ANNYOANCE AT SHEIK YAMANI FOR SPEAKING PUBLICLY ON THE NEED FOR A QUID PRO QUO FOR HOLDING OIL PRICE INCREASES TO FIVE PRECENT. FINALLY, ALTHOUGH ALIREZA FELT REBUFFED BY BRZEZINSKI, HE HOPES FOR AN EVEN-HANDED APPROACH BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT.  
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